

COVENTRY

Geo. Drake is not as well.

Mrs. Eben Stevens seems to be improving.

David Drake of West Derby was in town last week.

Mrs. Wm. Stevens has gone to Newport to visit relatives.

The selectmen have been newly planking the village bridge.

Mrs. A. J. Hancock took an auto trip to South Troy Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Chapman have gone to Barnet to visit relatives.

Mrs. Bert Ware and Mrs. Gladys Noyes visited in Irasburg Saturday.

John Corrow of Westfield has been visiting his brother, Andrew Corrow.

Walter Cleveland attended the commencement exercises at St. Johnsbury last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Patten of Orleans visited relatives in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Hancock of Newport Center visited at Mrs. Esther Hancock's Sunday.

Miss Muriel Wells of Newport has been home the past few days, ill from the effects of vaccination.

Walter Stevens and family of Woodsville, N. H., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stevens.

Mrs. Gladys Noyes and children, Alton and Arland, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ware.

Miss Osbourne from the Fochow mission in China gave a very interesting address in the M. E. church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Taylor were called to Framingham, Mass., by the

serious illness of one of their daughters, Miss Gertrude.

W. R. Shippee took some of the delegates from here to Barton in his auto Monday, to attend the district Sunday school institute.

The village schools closed Friday. The many friends of Miss Morse and Mrs. McCoy are very sorry they are not to return here next fall.

The Needle-book club meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Horace Wilder Wednesday of last week. A bountiful dinner was served and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

H. C. Cleveland found one of his heifers in the pasture with a bullet hole through its head. Ted Austin had a cow fall off the end of a bridge, which injured her so badly that she had to be killed.

Mrs. Jane Cooper, who has been ill several weeks, died at the home of A. D. Fox on Thursday night and the funeral was held in the M. E. church Saturday afternoon. Rev. H. C. Squires officiating. She leaves to mourn her loss two aged sisters, who have the sympathy of all.

The Village Improvement society will give a vaudeville and minstrel entertainment in town hall Friday evening. Come and see "The Joke on Squinim," "Mrs. Black's Pink Tea," "Hans Von Smash," and "Postoffice Sam." There will be music, etc. A good laugh for all, for "a little nonsense now and then is relished by the wisest men."

(Intended for last week.)

Mrs. L. J. Elliot, who has been ill, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Ruby Bradley of Lyndon is visiting at C. S. Boynton's.

Miss Lizzie Benware of Westfield is visiting her son, G. J. Benware.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Berry and son of Barton have been visiting at P. L. Mecalf's.

Mrs. L. E. Spafford and daughter, Doris, of Orleans, are visiting at G. A. Ware's.

Hardy Frasier has gone to Montgomery to visit his mother, who still remains very ill.

The pipes have been laid for running water in the M. E. church. The ladies will appreciate this.

Mrs. Clara Branch of St. Johnsbury spent two days recently with her sister, Mrs. H. C. Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks and son, Marden, of Berlin, N. H., came Sunday to visit relatives. Mr. Brooks returned Monday night. Mrs. Brooks and son will remain some time.

Rev. Thos. Hall has returned to Island Pond, from where he will go to Old Orchard Beach to spend his summer's vacation. The meetings held by him here recently were very profitable and enjoyed by all who attended. The good wishes of many friends here go with him.

The Pre-Memorial exercises held in the Congregational church May 28 passed very pleasantly. The children took their parts nicely, showing careful training by their teachers, especially in the flag drill by the grammar school. The address given by Rev. Thos. Hall was fine and enjoyed by all.

Vermont Notes.

This is Masonic week and all the grand bodies are meeting in Burlington.

The New England Commercial Men's organization met in annual convention in Burlington last week and several hundred members attended.

Mrs. H. R. Abell, a woman 100 years old, died in Enosburg Falls last week. She was one of a family of 11 children and has a brother living in Council Bluffs, Ia., Rev. G. R. Rice, who is 95 years old.

Miss Julia Hamilton of Richford, who won a trip to the California exhibitions as the handsomest girl in Vermont in the Boston Traveler voting contest, is enroute on the trip, which includes stopovers in many of the principal cities of the United States.

ONLY A FEW CAN GO.

Those who are so fortunate that expense does not have to be considered are now going to health resorts to get rid of the impurities in the system that cause rheumatism, backache, swollen, aching joints and stiff, painful muscles. If you are one of those who cannot go, yet feel that you need relief from such pain and misery, try Foley Kidney Pills. They restore the kidneys to healthful activity and make you feel well and strong.

Austin's Pharmacy, Orleans, Vt.; W. S. McDowell, Evansville; J. B. Holton, West Charleston.

PARROT & CO.
By Harold MacGrath.

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ing, and the mistake was mine. I seldom make them. I kept quiet because the boat was full up, and as a rule I hate scenes. Men like that know it. If I had complained he would have denied his actions, inferred that I was evil-minded. Heavens, I know the breed! Now not a single word of this to anyone. Mr. Craig, I fancy, will be the last person to speak of it."

"You had better put the pin back into your hat," suggested Martha.

"Pah! I had forgotten it." Elsa flung the weapon far into the street.

Once they turned into Merchant street, both felt the tension relax. Mar-

tha would have liked to sit down, even on the curb.

"I despise men," she volunteered.

"I am beginning to believe that few of them are worth a thought. Those who aren't fools are knaves."

"Are you sure of your judgment in regard to this man Warrington? How can you tell that he is any different from that man Craig?"

"He is different, that is all. This afternoon he will come to tea. I shall want you to be with us. Remember, not a word of this disgraceful affair."

"Ah, Elsa, I am afraid; I am more afraid of Warrington than of a man of Craig's type."

"We are always quarreling, Martha; and it doesn't do either of us any good. When you oppose me I find that that is the very thing I want to do. You haven't any diplomacy."

Warrington's appearance that afternoon astonished Elsa. She had naturally expected some change, but scarcely such elegance. He was, without question, one of the handsomest men she had ever met. He was handsomer than Arthur because he was more manly in type. What a mystery he was! She greeted him cordially, without restraint; but for all that, a little shiver stirred the tendrils of hair at the nape of her neck.

"The most famous man in Rangoon today," she said, smiling.

"So you have read that tommy-rot in the newspaper?"

They sat on her private balcony, under an awning. Rain was threatening. Martha laid aside her knitting and did her utmost to give her smile of welcome an air of graciousness.

"I shouldn't call it tommy-rot," Elsa

declared. "It was not chance. It was pluck and foresight. Men who possess those two attributes get about everything worth having."

"There are exceptions," studying the ferrule of his cane.

"Is there really anything you want now and can't have?"

Martha looked at her charge in dread and wonder.

"There is the moon," he answered. "I have always wanted that. But there it hangs, just as far out of reach as ever."

Elsa's curiosity today was keenly alive. She wanted to ask a thousand questions, but the ease with which the man wore his new clothes, used his voice and eyes and hands, convinced her more than ever that the subtlest questions she might devise would not stir him into any confession. That he had once been a gentleman of her own class, and more, something of an exquisite, there remained no doubt in her mind. What had he done? What in the world had he done?

On his part he regretted the presence of Martha; for, so strongly had this girl worked upon his imagination that he had called with the deliberate intention of telling her everything. But he could not open the gates of his heart before a third person, one he intuitively knew was antagonistic.

Conversation went afield; pictures and music and the polished capitals of the world; the latest books and plays. The information in regard to these Elsa supplied him. They discussed also the problems of the day as frankly as if they had been in an occasional drawing-room. Martha's tea was bitter. She liked Arthur, who was always charming, who never surprised

or astonished anybody, or shocked them with unexpected phases of character; and each time she looked at Warrington, Arthur seemed to recede. And when the time came for the guest to take his leave, Martha regretted to find that the major part of her antagonism was gone.

"I wish to thank you, Miss Chetwood, for your kindness to a very lonely man. It isn't probable that I shall see you again. I sail next Thursday for Singapore." He reached into a pocket. "I wonder if you would consider it an impertinence if I offered you this old trinket?" He held out the mandarin's ring.

"What a beauty!" she exclaimed.

"Of course I'll accept it. It is very kind of you. I am inordinately fond of such things. Thank you. How easily it slips over my finger!"

"Chinamen have very slender fingers," he explained. "Good-by. Those characters say 'Good luck and prosperity.'"

No expressed desire of wishing to meet again; just an ordinary everyday farewell; and she liked him all the better for his apparent lack of sentiment.

"Good-by," she said. She winced, for his hand was rough-palmed and strong. A little later she saw him pass down the street. He never turned and looked back.

"And why," asked Martha, "did you not tell the man that we sail on the same ship?"

"You're a simpleton, Martha." Elsa turned the ring round and round on her finger. "If I had told him, he would have canceled his sailing and taken another boat."

(To be Continued)

Vermont Local Option League

To the Residents of Vermont:—

In 1903 the electors of Vermont by a MAJORITY vote, ADOPTED the PRESENT LOCAL-OPTION LAW as a RELIEF from a prohibitory law, that FOR YEARS had been a COVER for DECEIT, HYPOCRISY and ILLEGAL PRACTICES. The PROPONENTS of the local option law at that time (1903) URGED its ADOPTION as a CORRECTIVE and TEMPERANCE MEASURE. It was argued that the PRINCIPLE of LOCAL OPTION and CONTROL would act as an ANNUAL REMINDER to the LAW ENFORCEMENT BODIES, that the SENTIMENT of the cities and towns was either FOR or AGAINST the SALE of liquor, EITHER LEGALLY or ILLEGALLY, and thereby LEFT NO ALTERNATIVE to the STRICT ENFORCEMENT of the law. Many other arguments were advanced at that time IN SUPPORT of the local-option PRINCIPLE as a TEMPERANCE MEASURE, and IN THE BELIEF its ADOPTION would BRING RELIEF from INTOLERABLE CONDITIONS, the OFFSPRING of PROHIBITORY CONTROL, the local option principle WAS SUPPORTED by PROMINENT CLERGYMEN, PROFESSIONAL and BUSINESS MEN, and MADE A PART of the Vermont Laws.

Its APPLICATION during the past eleven years has PROVED CONCLUSIVELY the Vermont LOCAL OPTION LAW has been the MOST EFFECTIVE TEMPERANCE LEGISLATIVE act passed by the Vermont legislature in THE LAST CENTURY.

LET US REVIEW THE FACTS

Until 1903 the ILLEGAL SALE of liquor was a COMMON PRACTICE in NEARLY EVERY CITY and TOWN in Vermont. Small towns DESIRING the ENFORCEMENT of PROHIBITORY LAW WERE HELPLESS because of the DOMINANCE of ILLEGAL DEALERS over the LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS. PUBLIC OPINION was DORMANT and NON-ASSERTIVE. The prohibitory law HAD BRED HYPOCRISY, DECEIT, PERJURY and BLACKMAIL.

In 1903, the LOCAL OPTION LAW was ADOPTED and 94 cities and towns voted to LEGALIZE a TRAFFIC which had BEEN ILLEGALLY DEVELOPED in these cities and towns under SO-CALLED PROHIBITION. The vote of 1903 in favor of local option SIGNIFIED no other disposition on the part of the electorate than to LEGALLY CONTROL a BUSINESS which had been BUILT UP under PROHIBITORY LAW. At each annual election since 1903, when 94 towns voted "Yes," the TREND has been UNMISTAKABLY TOWARD temperance through local option by majority vote until at the town meetings of 1915 only 19 cities and towns voted for legal sale, in only 16 of which licenses were issued. Should the same ratio hold for the next 10 years, every town in Vermont would be no-license by virtue of public sentiment, as expressed in the annual local option vote. It is NOW PROPOSED to NULLIFY the TEMPERANCE WORK of the past DECADE by SUBSTITUTING state-wide prohibition for the PRESENT EFFECTIVE LAW, and thus disfranchising the towns of the state as far as local control of the liquor traffic is concerned. Such a MARKED change in policy SHOULD NOT be SANCTIONED without the CAREFUL CONSIDERATION of the voters of Vermont.

FIRM in the BELIEF that the Vermont LOCAL OPTION LAW has been a BULWARK for TEMPERANCE and has REDUCED the consumption of liquor to the SMALLEST PER CAPITA unit in the HISTORY of the state, scores of prominent TEMPERANCE men, representing EVERY SECTION of the state, recently met and ORGANIZED the Vermont Local Option League. Its officers are as follows:—

President, HON. JAMES M. TYLER, Brattleboro

Vice Presidents From Counties

Addison, Carlton W. Sprague, Bristol.
Bennington, Frank E. Howe, Bennington.
Caledonia, Alexander Dunnett, St. Johnsbury.
Chittenden, O. S. Nichols, Essex Junction.

Essex, Harry B. Amey, Island Pond.
Franklin, John G. Norton, St. Albans.
Grand Isle, Victor I. Hurlburt, Grand Isle.
Lamoille, M. C. Lovejoy, Stowe.

Orange, D. S. Conant, Bradford.
Orleans, Harry S. Black, Newport.
Rutland, Percival W. Clement, Rutland.
Washington, J. Ward Carver, Barre.

Windham, Chas. R. Crosby, Brattleboro.

Windsor, Frank W. Agan, Ludlow.

Secretary and Treasurer, Raymond Trainor, White River Junction.

OUR INVITATION

EVERY RESIDENT of Vermont, WHO BELIEVES the PRESENT local option law HAS OPERATED towards TEMPERANCE, SOBRIETY and a CLEANER CIVIC LIFE, IS INVITED to JOIN the VERMONT LOCAL OPTION LEAGUE. The law it is designed TO PROTECT HAS RECEIVED the SUPPORT of a LARGE MAJORITY of the NEWSPAPERS of the state, and has RALLIED to ITS SUPPORT HUNDREDS of MEN PROMINENT in the PROFESSIONAL, BUSINESS and CIVIC LIFE of Vermont. The VERMONT LOCAL OPTION LEAGUE is NON-POLITICAL, NON-PARTISAN and invites to membership EVERY RESIDENT of the state WITHOUT REGARD to POLITICS, RELIGION or NATIONALITY. That a PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN may be conducted, the membership fee has been placed at One Dollar, the fees to be EXPENDED only in EDUCATIONAL WORK. Larger contributions will be accepted from ANY RESIDENT of Vermont NOT in ANY WAY INTERESTED in the sale of liquor, but WHO IS IN SYMPATHY with the PRINCIPLES of the VERMONT LOCAL OPTION LEAGUE.

CUT OUT AND MAIL TODAY.

Raymond Trainor, Sec., Vt.
Vermont Local Option League,
White River Junction, Vt.

Dear Sir:—

Believing the Vermont local option law has been instrumental in promoting temperance, sobriety and a cleaner civic life, and desiring that it remain a part of the law of the state, I herewith enclose One Dollar and request to be enrolled as a member of the Vermont Local Option League.
(Signed)

JOIN THIS ORGANIZATION TODAY. DO YOUR PART IN DEFENDING THE HOME RULE PRINCIPLE. PREVENT VERMONT FROM BECOMING ANOTHER MAINE. UNITE TO PRESERVE THE SUCCESSFUL TEMPERANCE POLICY OF LOCAL OPTION. CUT OUT THE COUPON AND MAIL TODAY.

Vermont Local Option League,
RAYMOND TRAINOR, Secretary